

## CLAIMS

## 1. A disk cartridge, comprising:

a cartridge body including a lower shell having formed therein a first opening for write and/or read and an upper shell butt-joined to the lower shell;

a rotation wheel housed rotatably in the cartridge body and which houses a disk and has formed therein a second opening corresponding to the first opening and through which the housed disk is exposed to outside; and

a shutter mechanism provided between the lower shell and rotation wheel and including a pair of shutter plates which are pivoted in conjunction with the rotation of the rotation wheel and which uncovers the first and second openings when the latter coincide with each other,

the rotation wheel having formed therein an engagement recess in which at least one of the shutter plates is engaged.

2. The disk cartridge according to claim 1, wherein at the front side of the rotation wheel, at which the disk cartridge is first introduced into a disk recorder and/or player, there is formed a to-be-operated member in which a shutter releasing member of the disk recorder and/or player is engaged.

3. The disk cartridge according to claim 1, further comprising a forcing member engaged at one end thereof on the cartridge body while being engaged at the other end on the rotation wheel and which forces the rotation wheel in direction in which the

shutter mechanism will covers the second opening.